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Hongkong, 19th February, 1908. [24]

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1908. [29]

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## Telegrams.

[Reuter's.]

## The Japanese in British Columbia.

London, 26th February.

The Columbia Full Court has upheld the decision of the Chief Justice on The Immigration Act.

## The Situation in Macedonia.

Parliament has debated the situation in Macedonia.

In the House of Lords, Lord Fitzmaurice admitted that the situation was disappointing and critical, owing to the attitude of the Powers and the disagreement of the Powers.

At the Chamber of Commerce dinner Count Metternich said that the German Government seriously hopes that steps may be taken by the Powers to terminate the massacres in Macedonia, to which end German policy was directed until action effected reforms.

## Japan in Manchuria.

A Japanese official statement, which has been published in London, says that the matter in dispute re the South Manchurian railways is not connected with the question of the "open door."

Japan cannot afford to allow the construction of the Chinese line, and intends to hold China to her solemn undertaking under the Treaty of 1905.

Later.

Reuter's Telegram Co., Ltd., is informed that Sir Edward Grey has intimated to Japan that he recognises the validity of the Japanese contention regarding the South Manchurian railways but it remains for the contractors to prove to Japan that the proposed new Chinese line will be a feeder and not a competitor to the Japanese railway.

## The Norddeutscher Lloyds.

The Norddeutscher Lloyds, for an additional subsidy of £75,000 yearly, establishes a regular monthly service between Sydney, New Guinea, Hongkong and Japan, and will resume the New Guinea-Singapore service.

## SUMMARY CASES.

## THE PUISNE JUDGE AND NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Before business was started at the Supreme Court, this morning, Mr. Justice Wise said he understood that an appeal case which was on the books would engage the attention of the Court for the whole of next week.

Mr. d'Almeida e Castro—Yes, I think it will take up pretty nearly the whole week.

Mr. Justice Wise—I hope it will be finished by Thursday. You will not get anything else out of me after that. You will have to start all over again fresh with some body else.

A little later Mr. O'Keefe asked that one of his cases be fixed for Thursday afternoon for hearing.

Mr. Justice Wise—Yes, all right. That's the best I can do. The afternoon is a shade better than the morning.

## A FATAL ACCIDENT AT TIENTSIN.

THE LATE MR. N. S. FORBES.

Tientsin papers record with deep sympathy the death of Mr. Ninian Stuart Forbes of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., which occurred as the result of an unfortunate accident in the Officers' Mess of the 3rd Middlesex on Saturday evening, the 15th instant.

An inquest was held on the 17th instant at the British Consulate General concerning the deplorable accident.

The evidence showed that a British officer was explaining the mechanism of a Winchester repeating rifle to an officer belonging to the Imperial German Forces; the rifle was believed to be unloaded, and the mechanism is such that, if it should be loaded, the pulling of the lever ought to extract a cartridge in the same way that it extracts the empty cartridge case if the trigger has been pulled.

The lever of the rifle was pulled at least a dozen times, when, suddenly, a cartridge which must have been in the magazine and which had not hitherto exploded, went off. Just at the very moment that the cartridge was fired in this unexpected manner Mr. Forbes, who had been moving from place to place in another part of the ante-room of the Middlesex Officers' Mess, happened to get in the line of fire. The bullet severed the jugular vein, and although a doctor who was present did everything that was possible, death ensued painlessly a few minutes after the unfortunate young man was struck.

Mr. Pratt, British Vice-Consul, who conducted the inquest, found that death was due to an accident to which nobody had contributed in the slightest degree.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon, February 17, and was attended by a large gathering of sympathetic friends.

The U.S. House of Representatives has been thrown into a state of considerable excitement by a resolution moved by Mr. Lilley for an inquiry into the influence brought to bear by the Holland Submarine Company with the object of cancelling the battleship programme in favour of submarines.

## ALLEGED PERJURY.

CHINESE MERCHANT ON TRIAL.

No little interest is being manifested in native business circles in the trial of Lam Tung Fai, the Amoy merchant, residing at 64 Bonham Street West, who was arrested recently, by order of the Chief Justice, on a charge of committing perjury at the Supreme Court. The trial began before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Magistrate's, this afternoon, and there was a good many interested spectators present.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley (Crown Solicitor) appeared for the prosecution. Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, of Messrs. Brutton and Hett, was for the defence.

In outlining the particulars of the case, Mr. Bowley said that the prosecution arose out of a case which had occupied the attention of the Supreme Court for some time. The issues now would be simple. The defendant, he said, was the sole owner of the Wing Fung firm, of Amoy. About the 11th February last he became very "hard up" and was being pressed by two other firms in Amoy for a debt of nearly \$5,000 which he owed. At that time defendant was agent for the Ng Yuen Hing firm, of this Colony, and he made arrangements to draw upon them in respect of a draft on Samarang. According to the instructions received by the Crown solicitor defendant devised a scheme of paying his Amoy debts at the expense of the Hongkong firms. In order to do this defendant went to the Kin Hing firm, in Amoy, and made "arrangements" with them. The effect was that a day or two later two telegrams were received in Hongkong. One was received by the Ng Yuen Hing firm ordering them to pay to the Lap Kee firm, also of Hongkong, the sum of \$5,000. The second wire was received by the Lap Kee firm asking them to receive the money. More telegrams arrived, and in the end the Ng Yuen Hing paid the money over to the Lap Kee firm, the latter crediting the Kin Hing firm, of Amoy, their agents, with the amount. Very soon after the Ng Yuen Hing discovered that they had paid the money by mistake. As a matter of fact there was no Samarang draft, and they had paid away the money without consideration. An action to recover was then started by them against the Lap Kee firm. During the trial defendant was called as a witness on behalf of the Ng Yuen Hing firm, and was asked several material questions, as to whether he did on the 11th February, 1907, despatch or cause to be despatched by the Imperial Chinese Telegraph Administration at Amoy, a certain telegram, addressed to the Ng Yuen Hing firm, in Hongkong, requesting that firm to pay to the Lap Kee firm \$5,000, and also whether he did on the 11th February, 1907, despatch or cause to be despatched by the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Ltd., a certain other telegram addressed to the Ng Yuen Hing firm of Hongkong, inquiring whether the said firm had paid \$5,000 to the Lap Kee firm or not? Accused replied:—"We (meaning his firm of Wing Fung, of which the defendant was then master) did not send it (meaning the telegram above referred to) or authorize it to be sent; nor No. 2 (meaning the second telegram hereinafter referred to)."

This was interpreted to the Chief Justice, who held that defendant had committed perjury, and ordered these proceedings to be instituted. Evidence was called, and the case was adjourned.

## A SHARE TRANSACTION.

LEGATIVITY OF FORWARD CONTRACTS.

Mr. Justice Fisher in the Singapore Supreme Court delivered judgment, last week, in the share case, S. Manasseh and Co. vs. B. Engelke. The first point taken by the defence, said his lordship, that there was no contract between these parties at all, having been, virtually abandoned, it was necessary for defendant in order that he should succeed on the second to prove that the contract was by way of gaming or wagering, and that the suit was one for recovering a sum of money alleged to have been won on a wager. The contract was headed "Share contract" and there were these words: "Singapore, 31 July 1907. Brought of S. Manasseh and Co. (plaintiffs) and sold to B. Engelke Esq. (defendant) 500 Klendangs at the price of per share of \$15, only, cash on delivery of transfer. Delivery end of Oct. 1907." It was signed "Charles Benjamin, broker" and as confirmed "B. Engelke." It was an ordinary broker's note and admittedly on the face of it represented a contract made through the broker Benjamin for the sale by plaintiffs to defendant of 500 Klendangs on July 11 at \$15 a share, and by it the plaintiffs undertook to deliver the shares at that price which defendant undertook to pay. To make a gaming or wagering contract of the transaction the defendant had to show that the transaction was not really what it appeared on the face of it, but to the knowledge and intention of the parties to it something different. It was clear that to enable the defence (that this was a gaming transaction) to succeed, it must be proved that the parties were knowingly and avowedly as between themselves gambling in differences only, and that neither of them ever contemplated an actual delivery of shares. It was for the defendant to prove that it was a gaming transaction in the intention of both parties and this he had failed to do.

Judgment for the plaintiff as claimed with costs.

Mr. Elliot for plaintiff and Mr. Farrer Baynes for the defence.

AMERICAN telegrams to the effect that the United States Government has been compelled to take firm measures in order to maintain the open door in Manchuria, are credited in Tokio as another phase of the newspaper campaign. As yet nothing is known officially of such action. China is reported to be preparing to open Takshan. Such a step would be a severe blow to Antung in the Japanese sphere.

## OPIUM DENS IN SHANGHAI.

The question of licensed opium dens in the International Settlement of Shanghai has, according to a Reuter's telegram, been before Parliament, and will come in for a greater share of public attention at home as soon as the ratification of the Settlement have expressed their views upon the subject. Sir Edward Grey, the Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replying in Parliament to Sir Henry Cotton, member for East Nottingham, who was doubtless anxious to know what steps His Majesty's Government proposed to take to bring the various British Settlements into line with the rest of China in the treatment of public opium-smoking houses, said he considered it advisable to await the result of the forthcoming annual meeting of Shanghai Ratepayers before taking further action with regard to the opium dens in the Settlement.

In adopting this attitude of caution Sir Edward Grey has only taken the prudent course that we should expect from him upon a subject in which there is room for wide differences of opinion. Many people in China, Chinese as well as foreigners, are doubtless still highly sceptical about the bona fides of the Chinese Government and the officials in the reference to the suppression of the opium habit, and it is certain that there is a wide divergence between the different parts of China in the way the subject is treated by both officials and people. In some provinces, we know, the closing of the opium dens has only been used as a lever to extract fresh squeezes by the lower officials for winking at that re-opening of these vile resorts after a decent interval, when the fervour of the first wave of enthusiasm for reformation and regeneration has exhausted itself in the public burning of the opium and amusements by the votaries of the accursed drug, while in other parts of the country we learn that the edict enjoining the restriction of the area under poppy cultivation by ten per cent annually is being met by the simple and practical Chinese expedient of planting the poppy seeds closer, so that the same crop of more may be grown upon a reduced area. But withal these tricks of the corrupt lower mandarin, and allowing for the weakness of human nature, in the face of the threatened extinction of a widespread source of profit and for the deeply rooted passion of the infatuated people for a fatal pleasure, we cannot conclude anything else than that the local officials of Shanghai, under the wise guidance of the Viceroy of Nanking, are entirely in earnest in their efforts to carry out the Imperial behests upon the subject and to make the prohibition of the public smoking of the drug, at least, a genuine thing. The opium shops in the native city and suburbs under control of the Chinese officials have most undoubtedly been shut up, and to all appearances permanently, while the few recalcitrant or tricky individuals who were found trying to surreptitiously re-open these resorts have been promptly and vigorously punished. Hitherto, however, the Municipal Council has refrained from taking any action in the matter of the public opium dens inside the Settlement, which have continued in operation, with a largely increased clientele, as a result of the closing of similar establishments in the native city and suburbs. With an air of polite incredulity and official scepticism as to the reality of the Chinese change of heart and policy upon the whole subject, not so very unnatural in the premises, our city fathers have so far done nothing one way or the other upon the subject; but judging by the hints conveyed to the public through the channels by which the views of the Nine Wise Men of the Model Settlement are more or less permitted to express themselves, or in the other quarter more immediately controlled by the particular Hong which just now dominates the Municipal body, we have been led to the conviction that the Council do not want to do any more than keep things as they are until a clear mandate is given by the Ratepayers upon the subject. We therefore await the appearance of the annual report and budget with more interest than usual, in order to see how our legislators stand upon this question. That it is only a question of mere dollars and cents after all is fortunate, for we feel sure that the Council as a body must sympathise with the heroic efforts that the Chinese are making in the matter of opium and the fact that the present Chairman of the Council is the head of the "only European firm" in China engaged in this now discredited trade will of course have no effect upon the proper solution of the problem. To make up a direct loss of over seventy thousand taels per annum from the public revenue might not be easy in other directions, but seeing how simple it is for the Council to transfer the present burden borne by the tenants of the opium smoking houses to the drug itself by a tax upon every chest of foreign and native opium entering the Settlement for any purpose, we believe a complete solution for the financial side of the question is ready at hand. The bona fides of the Chinese Government and officials in their public professions upon the whole question is beyond question and that being so we are sure no objection would be brought forward by the "Tao-tai" or higher officials if the Municipal Council of Shanghai, in order to help the cause of opium suppression generally, were to impose such a tax per chest upon all opium brought into the Settlement as would bring in a return of seventy thousand taels per annum to the Municipal exchequer. By such a measure a further check upon the facilities remaining to opium smokers, after the suppression of the public opium dens in the Settlement, would be imposed and the higher the tax levied upon the vice the better our Chinese friends should be pleased.—China Gazette.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherloft Hospitals acknowledges the following donations to the funds of the hospitals:—  
Standard Oil Co. of New York, \$50  
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## To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

— MENU —

SATURDAY, February 29th, 1908.

DINNER.

HORS D'OEUVRES.  
Anchovy Canapés.SOUP.  
Celery.FISH.  
Fried Soles, Maitre d'hôtel.ENTREES.  
Rolled Shoulder of Mutton and Macédoine.  
Ox Tongue (Italian Style).  
Lobster Patties.CURRY.  
Malabar.JOINTS, &c.  
Roast Ribs of Beef and Horseradish.  
Roast Capon and Sausage.  
Boiled Corned Round of Beef and Carrots.  
Cold Leicester Pie and Mixed Salad.

SWEETS.

Macaroni Pudding.  
Maraschino Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.  
Tapioca Cake.  
Scotch Woodcock.

DESSERT.

Coffee. Fruits.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE"  
will be despatched for the above Ports, on or about the 31st March, 1908.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
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Hongkong, 28th February, 1908.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

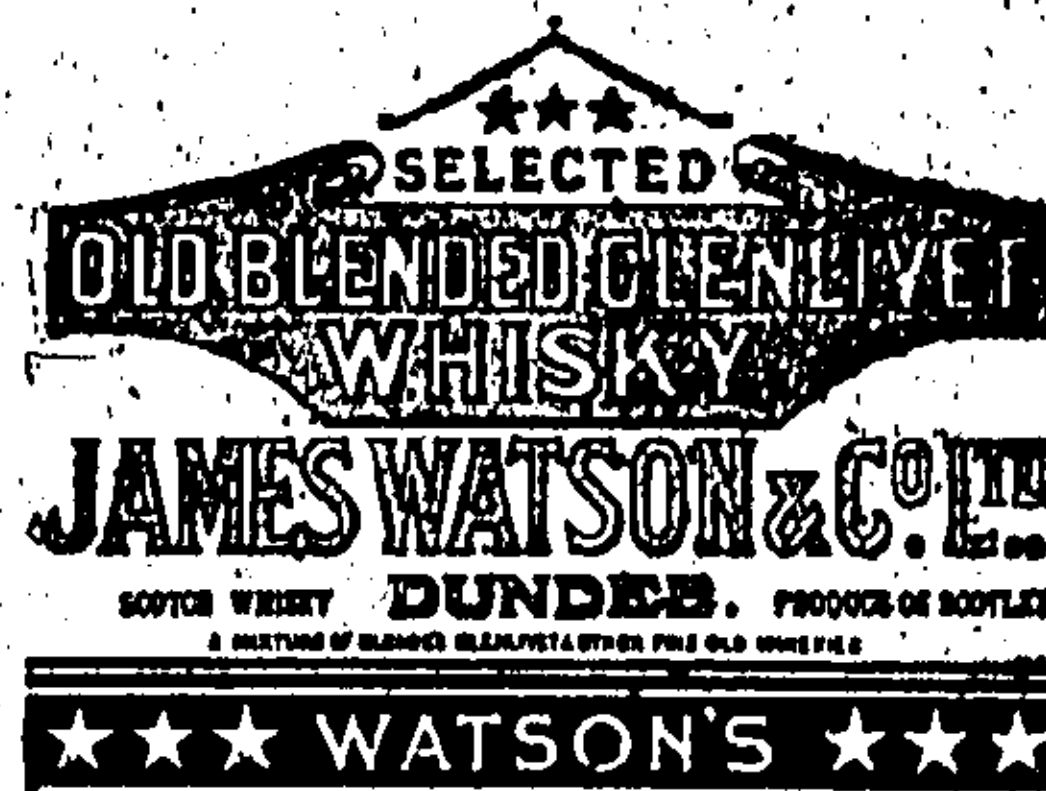
Captain J. E. Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 3rd March, at 10 o'clock A.M.

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General Managers.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1908.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

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in the name of JAMES WATSON & CO. LTD., who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof. The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicants in respect of WHISKY in Class 43. A Facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.  
Dated the 27th day of February, 1908.

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WILKINSON &amp; GRIST, Solicitors for the Applicant.

## "PRINCE" IN A TRANCE.

ATTENDING TO BUSINESS AT THE OTHER END OF THE WORLD.

From time to time strange tales are brought to the notice of the police, but on Wednesday a most unusual request was made to the Chief Police Officer, reports the Singapore Free Press of 21st inst. "Mr. G. McBrean, a clerk in the employ of the legal firm of Messrs. Parsons and Rhodes, reported that a man named Alexander, was lying in a trance in his premises off the Bukit Timah Road, and said he would be responsible for anything that happened.

Inspector Wilson of Orchard Road station was despatched to the scene post haste with instructions to remove the man to the hospital. The officer found a European, well known in Singapore as "Prince Alexander Tsary," lying on a bed in the servants' quarters. Pinned near the head was the following extraordinary notice:—

CAVE NOTICE.  
INSTRUCTIONS TO GRAVE SECRETARY, SINGAPORE.

During the time my body lies here in a trance while I am engaged in attending to affairs on the other side of the world it is my request that my body shall in no wise be removed or interfered with nor subjected to any medical examination or treatment as it is perfectly healthy and normal and though in a state of suspended animation like the winter sleep of animals and there is no fear of any catalepsy or hysteria as I have at different times left my body in a similar condition and can return to it at any time I choose to while it in no wise suffers however long I may be absent.

Empress Road (Sd.) Alexander IX.  
While Inspector Wilson was endeavouring to move the body, the "Prince" sat up and asked what he wanted. When Mr. McBrean saw his guest alive and well he was satisfied and the police officer had to leave without a "case."

"Prince Alexander Tsary" was formerly well known here and in Sumatra as the Baron de Horn. Many years ago he bought with a part of the large fortune his wife brought him from her tobacco estates in Sumatra, the greater part of the Imperial crown jewels belonging to the Empress Eugénie at the public sale in Paris.

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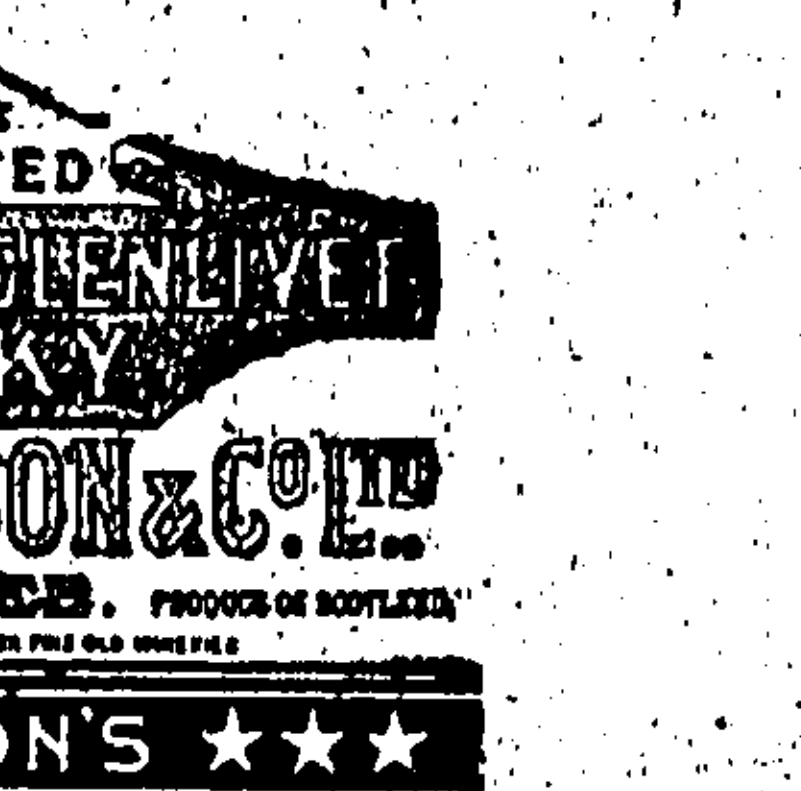
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## THE GERMAN SHIPPING AGREEMENT.

The agreement between the Hamburg-American Line and the Norddeutscher-Lloyd has naturally been the subject of much discussion in shipping circles. For the moment, however, the disposition is to await the arrival of details of the scheme before passing a final opinion upon it. Inquiries suggest that it may take some little time before the agreement can receive practical effect. Quite early it is not possible at a stroke of the pen to re-arrange the large number of services concerned, or to provide for new dispositions of the respective fleets. There is no doubt, however, that the project which the Kaiser has so openly approved has as its basis the more economical working of the two companies, and a further extension of the area of their operations.

It is interesting to note that in the "seventies," when the Norddeutscher-Lloyd passed through an exceedingly bad time, it sold two of its steamers—the Von Moltke and the Von Roon—to the Peninsular and Oriental Company. These two boats afterwards came to be known as the Assam and the Siam, and were placed in the P. and O. Company's Bombay trade. During the war between France and Germany the vessels of these two German lines were naturally subjected to a good deal of inconvenience, but they were remarkably free from capture. Not a few of them proceeded to the United States round the North of Scotland, while others, assisted by fog, ran the gauntlet of the English Channel.

Singapore is a sort of Clapham Junction of the East. Consequently the news that the Norddeutscher-Lloyd have driven the Japanese out of the trade of Further India is of some importance. The Germans have doubtless paid a good price, as they did ten years ago, when they despatched from British India a network of branch lines, controlling almost the entire coastal service of Indo-China and Southern China. Dr. Wiegand saw that if he could only buy up these lines, and bring this coastal trade under German influence, in association with the German mail service to China, it would be an excellent stroke of business. The two British lines absorbed were the Scottish Oriental Steamship Company. Their disappearance was much lamented at the time. Now the German flag predominates both at Singapore and Bangkok.—Zing Tien.

## Intimations.



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Hongkong, 27th February, 1908.

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
5.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ... Every 30 minutes.  
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon ... Every 15 minutes.  
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
1.00 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
1.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
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4.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.  
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SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDING, Des Voeux Road Central.

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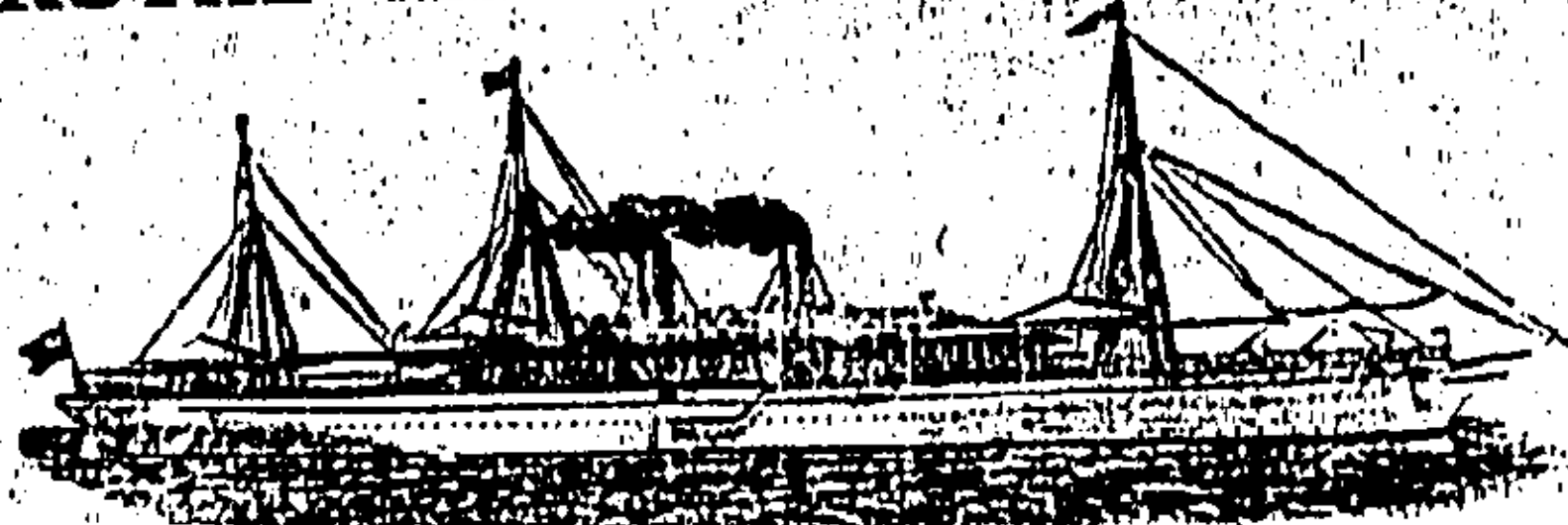
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THE LIGHTING AND BUOYING OF CHINESE WATERS.

According to the I. M. Customs List of Light-Houses, Buoys, Beacons, etc., on the coasts and rivers of China, corrected up to the 1st December, 1907, which has just been issued, the aid to navigation which the Peking Government provides, under these heads, include a total of 110 light houses, 5 light-vessels, 24 light-boats, 137 buoys, and 10 beacons.

For the purposes of distribution of lights and buoys the coast of China and the course of the Yangtze River seem to be divided into the following Customs districts:

THE Canton Customs District, including the coast from Hailuogang to 114 deg. E. longitude. The Swatow Customs District, including the coast from Misa Point to the Lamocks.

THE Wuhu Customs District, including the Yangtze from Nanking to Anking. The Kiukiang Customs District, including the Yangtze from Anking to where the Matsushan touches the river below Wusueh.

THE Yochow Customs District, (not yet defined). The Ichang Customs District, including the Yangtze from Yochow to the gorge above Ichang.

THE Tientsin Customs District, including the coast from the Tientsin to Shanhaikwan. The Newchwang Customs District, including the coast from Shanhaikwan to Newchwang and from Newchwang to Tientsin.

There is one thing to be noted in connection with the signals which the light-keepers are provided with for the purpose of warning ships approaching in foggy or stormy weather.

as be sure that the light-keeper will be able to hear the bell, fog-horn, or whistle in time to give effective warning. But, how about the times when he is not able to hear the approaching sounds until it is too late for him to do anything to turn the "incoming vessel" from her dangerous course?

Notices of Firms.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LD. M. R. J. MCCUBBIN is appointed ACTING LOCAL SECRETARY during the absence on leave of Mr GEORGE CURRY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD. Local Agents. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1908.

INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR and EXPRESS TRAINS CO. (THE GREAT TRANS-SIBERIAN ROUTE TO EUROPE).

HAVING been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, we shall be pleased to give any information as to rates of passage, &c., in connection with above.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. Agents. Hongkong, 1st July, 1907.

Intimations. PAUST BREWERY COMPANY, MILWAUKEE.

FRESH SUPPLIES ALWAYS KEPT IN STOCK BY SIEMSEN & Co., Agents for HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA. Hongkong, 29th July, 1907.

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## SHEETS:—

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2 x 3 yds., \$18.50 to \$35.00

2½ x 3½ yds., \$21.50 to \$45.00

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\$12.50 to \$37.50 per doz.

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\$2.75 to \$10.75 per pair

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Huckaback, Hemmed,—

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1908.

## SHANGHAI WATCH CLUB.

## JUDGE'S SEVERE STRICTURES.

In H.B.M.'s Supreme Court, at Shanghai, on 22nd inst., before Sir Havilland de Saussure, Judge, and a jury consisting of Messrs. C. Alderton, Eric Moller, P. C. Allen, A. M. McClellan, and A. Penny.

Ivor Thomas was brought up on remand charged for that he with one H. J. Black, unlawfully fraudulently and deceitfully did conspire combine, confederate and agree together by divers false pretences to obtain and acquire to themselves of and from such Chinese and foreigners resident in Shanghai and Ningpo as should be induced to buy shares and chances in a certain company or association known as the Watch Club divers large sums of money and to cheat and defraud them thereof.

The Crown Advocate (Mr. H. P. Wilkinson) assisted by Mr. S. M. McKean, prosecuted and Mr. T. Morgan Phillips and Mr. R. A. Frost defended the accused.

In his address to the jury his Lordship said:—We have been engaged for a long time on this inquiry and I cannot help thinking that our time would, to a certain extent, have been wasted if I did not address some remarks to you on the case generally, although it may be that you are prepared at once to find a verdict which I should be prepared to accept without making any further remarks on the case. But I think, considering the notoriety which this Watch Club has acquired not only in Shanghai but throughout China—a notoriety which appears also to have reached Manila and probably other places far distant—I think that some comment of mine on what has been proved before us is desirable. I take it, gentlemen, that there is no doubt in your minds whatever that this Watch Club was not a bona fide honest scheme. I am not talking at the present moment in the least of the prisoner's connection with it. I have been at pains to go into the various propositions made, which showed the stability, the financial soundness of this scheme as propounded by the witness Black. He tells you that a club starts with 40 members and at the close of the 40 weeks those members, or others who have taken their places, will have disappeared from the club. Certainly all those 40 members will have gone because they will have paid, some of them \$50 and will be entitled to a watch; the others will have taken their watches on the drawing in which they have drawn a lucky number. Now the proposition is that every week there were 40 members before a draw. Therefore on the receipt of \$40 a drawing takes place and a watch valued at \$26 is given to the member who draws the prize. Therefore, says Black, every week will be a profit of \$14. Now, gentlemen, that is perfectly true for the first 40 weeks because there cannot be more than one man getting a watch any day during those 40 weeks. Therefore at the end of the 40 weeks it is quite true you will have in hand 40 times \$14, or \$560 which you have drawn from your contributors. But taking the case which certainly is as favourable as any to the Watch Club or to the owner of the Watch Club, the man who draw during the first 40 weeks are all of them original members. Obviously it would be more valuable if the original members stayed in than that all draw out and nobody pays his \$40 or some body who has only come in for the first time, say after the 20th week draws a watch. Therefore we will assume for the moment, which I think is a fair assumption, that all the original members have paid 40 weeks. Then, says Black, that doesn't matter in the least because on the first week of the second 40 weeks you still get your \$40. Quite true you do, but there will be certainly on that week one which matures, one watch for which \$40 has been paid, because you will remember that one man came in at the end of the first week and would have paid \$40. So that certainly for every week under the most favourable circumstances for the Watch Club, one watch will be maturing, one member will have paid his whole \$40 and he will get his watch. That may be all right, but you are going to have a lottery as well, and it is impossible to conceive that unless there is manipulation the number which is drawn out as a winning number will be a watch which is maturing. Therefore the presumption is, that on a great many days in that second period of 40 weeks you will have to provide two watches instead of one. That shows one discrepancy in the very glib description given by Black of this concern. This man suggests methods of winding up which cut down the clubs. I must remind you again that you have a large number of watches which have matured and members disappeared and it will take you a great deal more than 40 weeks to get rid of your members. I made a calculation myself and I find that, assuming you have 40 clubs, that is to say 1,600 members, at a moment when the people intend to shut down and close the concern, no more members coming in, so that you have drawn one drawing in each of the 40 clubs you then reduce your number of clubs to 39 and you decrease your clubs accordingly as you have members, allowing as you must do, I think, if you are honest, that a drawing takes place for the odd members who are over and who don't exactly fit in with the club. Then at the end of 40 weeks, not allowing for what is maturing in the meantime which cannot be advantageous to you—supposing no watch matures during that time—then there will still at the end of the 40 weeks be something like 600 members who have not got their watches, so that at the last moment, instead of as Mr. Black was so ready to assure us—coming down to only 40 members to be worked out and who will have to get their watches, you will suddenly at the end of that time have to produce about 600 watches to liquidate your concern. I don't think I need labour this any further, but it is obvious from the first part of what I said, viz., the way in which these watches will mature, that if you are going to pay \$26 and only take an average of \$21, which is the way it works out for the first 40 members, there must be a loss of some \$5 a week or looking at it in another way, according to the Crown

Advocate's calculation, there would be a loss of \$220. It is perfectly obvious then that if the Watch Club is going to be run on these principles there must be something to compensate for that \$220. The compensation as alleged by Black is lapsed members—members who come in and pay one, two or three or perhaps ten weeks and then stop their payment. I can quite understand, especially in a country like China, with the Chinese that lapses will be a very profitable source of income, but it is a little difficult also to understand in that way, how, if a concern of this kind is run absolutely fairly, the heavy chances which are professedly undertaken by the owner of the club can really be successful.

## A SPECULATIVE CONCERN.

However at all events it is a pretty speculative concern if you are going on with your drawing and you are going to be honest. You may rely upon things coming in, for instance, strokes of luck when a man does not take a watch, lapses, certain amount of interest, payments in advance and so on, but it will be pretty obvious to you that a time must come when there will be a crash. An institution such as this Watch Club then seems to me to be one which eminently lends itself to a clever swindler. A man is prepared to start a club of this kind and he runs it until he has got it very full indeed; he has got a very large number of men in it and naturally he has got a very large sum paid in which may have rolled up to a considerable amount which very likely he has fostered by delays or by means which a clever swindler may easily produce out of the fertility of his resources, and, finally, there is a very large balance and of course at the same time, as you gentlemen at once saw, a very large liability. That seems to me, as also it seemed to Mr. Black, the psychological moment, for his retiring. When a clever swindler tries to get out of a concern of this kind what he does of course is to find some dupe whom he may make a stepping-stone on whom to get out of the mud and at all events whom he could unload part of his responsibility to. Unfortunately for him Mr. Dooley was tempted by the propositions laid before him. He was first shown that statement by Black which I can only characterize as impudent, in which he professes that \$56,640 will be the profits of winding up this concern. I really don't know how to describe it; it is one of the most impudent documents I ever saw. Then unfortunately Mr. Dooley did not go into the business himself. He put it into the hands of a young accountant—at any rate he did not go into it himself with the acumen that I should have expected of a man in his position—and he is assured that this is a concern in which he might make some money if it is run in a business-like way. Well, gentlemen, as I say, the psychological moment having arrived, after it was expedient to clear out because the business was going down or at all events had culminated, it would be extremely difficult for anybody, however expert, to pull this business through. You have to go on for a considerable time and make profits. Instead of that you have come to the end of your resources with a sinking fund which there ought to have been and which Mr. Adams spoke of as having disappeared with the previous manager; he has left you, instead of assets, a large number of debts, which, for the sake of the new institution, and in order to keep it going before the public, you are bound to pay. If people heard of a receiver being put into the Watch Club there is not the least doubt that every member would have gone down and there would have been a run on the institution in double-quick time. That appears to be the position of affairs, and if this inquiry has had no other useful end I think it has had the useful end of unmasking and showing up a scheme which could not possibly be an honest one and which is extremely likely to lead, with its somewhat tempting propositions, to the delusion of a very large number of Chinamen in this country. Now I don't intend to labour the question as to its being a rotten and fraudulent concern, and we now come to the question of Mr. Dooley's and the prisoner's connection with concern. The Crown Advocate opened one case to you and alleged that Thomas knew and must have known when he took over the management that this was a fraudulent concern. Practically to-day he put another case before you; he has shifted the date of the knowledge at all events to the 16th Jan'y.

Mr. Wilkinson (interrupting) pointed out that the indictment said between the 12th November and the 20th Jan'y.

His Lordship—I should be glad if you will allow me to proceed. I am addressing the jury and anything you have to say can be said later. The Crown Advocate, continued his Lordship, began by asking you to convict on one date and finished up by asking you to convict on another date. If the Crown Advocate intended to prove the 16th January was the day on which he was going to all go conspiracy it would have been proper for him to have opened with that as the day which he was going to prove and he should have laid his case before you at the beginning in a way that it should go before you finally. That was not done. I am not surprised under the circumstances, gentlemen, that you took it upon you to say that on the explanation given by Mr. Dooley and the prisoner you were satisfied that prisoner did not have any knowledge in this fraud. It is a question of evidence. I have allowed the case to go to you because I thought there was evidence and I feel that you have considered that evidence by the careful attention you have given to this case during its progress.

His Lordship proceeded to refer to the law and said the definition of conspiracy was perfectly clear in Archbold's Criminal Pleading. He did not think there was any doubt that there had been an illegal act in connection with the doing of the Watch Club, but it is necessary for the prosecution to prove that there had been a combination, an agreement by persons. It is understood from what the jury had said that on the explanation given by the prisoner and Mr. Dooley, and by the fact which had come to their notice, they were satisfied that the prisoner was not in agreement with Black or with any other person who had come before them in the course of this trial—by name or by indication—that he was not in agreement with any of them to commit an illegal act. Prisoner had told them that he entered into this business bona fide as manager for Mr. Dooley, and if that was the case the jury were justified in finding a verdict of not guilty. He asked them to consider their verdict.

PRISONER DISCHARGED.

The jury did not retire but immediately announced their verdict of "not guilty."

His Lordship, in addressing prisoner, said—Ivor Thomas, you have been found not guilty on this charge. That is a matter which is entirely for the jury and I don't myself as a rule—it is no part of my duty to make any comment on a finding of the jury, but in this case I wish to say also that I am entirely in concurrence with their view. You are discharged.

Following his Lordship's remarks the spectators at the rear of the Court started a half-hearted applause.

His Lordship (heavily) I would have you people at the back of the Court know that conduct like this is most irregular and I shall not have the least hesitation in committing anyone I find guilty of it.

His Lordship thanked the jury for their attendance and excused them from further service for a period of four years. Thus came to an end a memorable trial, having lasted nearly five days.

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## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1908.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY  
ESTIMATES.

Unlike his predecessor, whose policy in connection with the Kowloon-Canton railway was freely criticised in the *Hongkong Telegraph* on several occasions, Sir Frederick Lugard has taken the Colony into his confidence not only as regards the amount appropriated for this undertaking, but also in the matter of details, so that the community may understand the position of affairs and the progress effected. At a previous meeting of the Legislative Council, the Governor gave a clear history of the railway from its inception and now he has supplemented that statement with a report from the Chief Resident Engineer. With the technical portion of that report we do not seek to deal, but the statistical appendices may not be without interest to readers who have followed the operations on the Kowloon-Canton railway. Altogether, there are ten main heads under which the expenditure both estimated and actual is given and each of them will be found to be the result of a careful survey. The first of these is "survey" which actually

cost \$42,367.65, the excess over the original estimate being due to re-alignments. The land question shows a disparity between the original and the Resident Engineer's estimates. It is accounted for by the fact of the resumption of the glass works, slaughter house and a farm lot in Kowloon, and by the cost of expropriating Blackhead's Lot and certain other prospective resumptions. The combined report of Messrs. Bruce and Chatham originally placed the estimate at \$10,500. When the Resident Engineer came to prepare his revised estimate last year it rose to \$139,700, attaining to the very large sum of over a million dollars for the reasons just explained. The grand total on the land item is, according to present estimates, \$1,302,000 in round figures, provision in the sum of \$140,000 being made for the extension of the seawall to Blackhead's Lot. That the amount required for the reclamation is necessarily great will be realised from the nature of the Engineer's report. These remarks apply in particular to the sub-heading earthwork under the main heading of "formation," the difference between the two original estimates amounting to \$900,000, but it is satisfactory in a measure to learn that there will be a probable saving of \$140,000. With regard to the vexed question of the tunnel scheme and road communications, we have it that Mr. Bruce placed the cost at \$1,000,000, whereas Mr. Eves' estimate shows an increase of \$300,000, supplemented by another like amount. The explanation is given as to why the original estimates may be exceeded, but the excess will be in all likelihood be covered by saving in earthwork and bridges. For the current year nine lakhs have been appropriated for tunnels. The amount required to complete this work is another seven lakhs. The total cost of roads is \$82,500, of which \$50,000 will be spent in 1908, the balance being the sum necessary to finish the communications. Bridges, large and small, and culverts show a great disparity in cost between the original and the revised estimate. A trifle over four lakhs was provided by Mr. Bruce, but when Mr. Eves came to revise the estimates he thought fit to provide for the respective works mentioned some six lakhs, four and a quarter lakhs and \$68,000. At the same time we are informed by this expert that bridges generally are being done more cheaply than was first estimated, but the number has greatly increased. It is anticipated that there will be a saving in the total of about \$50,000. Fencing, which is sub-divided into "boundaries" and "signs," was not provided for by Mr. Bruce, and Mr. Eves, has, in consequence, had to place a sum of \$32,000 towards the cost of this very necessary item. "Telegraphs" is another of the omissions in the original estimate, and its inclusion means a sum of nearly \$27,000. Then we come to another large item under the head of "track," which is divided into "ballast" and "permanent way." For these requirements the original appropriation was \$716,625, but when the estimate came to be revised the combined estimate for permanent way alone was exceeded by \$31,000 and provision to the extent of \$154,000 had to be made for ballast. With regard to the latter amount, it does not represent the entire expenditure in connection with the works, for it is explained that the expenditure on ballast may possibly be exceeded. Nothing, of course, is voted in the current year's estimates for permanent way, but the anticipation of progress—a sum of \$450,000 has been set aside providing for its construction. "Stations and buildings" is another of the interesting items that is worthy of notice and perhaps of all others will excite the anticipations of those who have interests in property on the peninsula, because it is believed that by the location of stations and buildings for railway purposes the land in contiguity will appreciate in value. It is satisfactory to observe that a saving on the original estimate became possible when it came to be revised. Whereas \$315,000 was the amount originally set down, we find that that expenditure has been reduced by half a lakh of dollars. For the terminal passenger station and other works which are under consideration the sum of two and a quarter lakhs is set aside. The amount required for the erection of workshops is of course as yet an unknown quantity and the item appears on the list with the innocuous blank against it. How rapidly the constructors of the line are endeavouring to cope with the operations, in spite of very great engineering difficulties, is evidenced by the fact that a lakh and a half of dollars is the amount which it is intended shall be spent this year on buildings alone, leaving three lakhs to be expended under this head, part of which will be devoted to the erection of the terminal station at Kowloon. Coming to "plant," which includes construction, locomotive tools and plant, C. and W. plant, engineering plant, locomotive rolling stock, and C. and W. rolling stock, we find the expenditure was \$50,148 in 1906. Last year the outlay was \$326,166 leaving practically a sum of \$30,000 for this year. It was expected that the total of \$334,000 will

be the value of the plant left on hand at the end of the construction works, and this amount has consequently been written off against "works." With regard to the other two items, locomotive rolling stock and C. and W. rolling stock, the Resident Engineer, in his supplementary estimate, provides the sum of \$140,000 and \$34,000 respectively. These two items alone represent about two-fifths of the total required for the British and Chinese sections combined, and it is interesting to note that they were not included in Mr. Bruce's estimate. On the subject of "general charges," which is the last of the ten main subjects presented, there are included salaries, quarters and offices, expenses, medical, home charges, and typhoon damages. It seems hardly credible that for these services distributed over all the items enumerated, an amount so small as \$105,000 could have been considered sufficient by the original framer of the estimate as a whole, and it is not surprising that Mr. Eves has thought proper to increase the estimate on salaries alone to \$388,000 whereof there is a saving in the subordinate staff of 178,000, that amount being charged to "works." For quarters and offices a sum of \$39,000 is appropriated, \$33,574 being the supplementary estimates, the result of an increase in the number of engineers. Furniture is represented by a matter of \$11,000, and there may be a saving of \$300 on this head. Office expenses account for \$11,000 in the revised estimates, with the addition of about \$22,000 in the supplementary estimate, the latter advance being also attributable to the increase in the number of engineers. Considering the malarious country in which the labourers are working, the medical item of \$20,000 can scarcely be held to be too extravagant, and that amount was raised by \$2,000 on revision. "Home charges," which is hardly explicit enough, require a sum of \$123,000, but there will be a saving under this head of \$53,000, which is explained by the fact that these have not been so high lately as "all the ironwork has been designed." Typhoon damages, which again Mr. Bruce, probably without sufficient experience of Hongkong, made no provision for, is responsible for \$43,000 which has been met from the ten per cent, which the Resident Engineer has thought fit to provide for contingencies. "Stores" is bracketed under two heads: "China" and "bricks," towards which the expenditure in 1906 has been \$1,899 in the former case, while \$1,474 which was allowed was apparently carried forward and spent last year in the latter case. In a footnote to the tables we have thus summarised, Mr. Eves explains that the sanctioned estimate does not include the extension of the sea wall from the storm water outfall towards Blackhead's, as the question of making this a deep sea wall was under consideration at the time and it was not thought advisable to hold up the estimates for this item. From the foregoing epitome, and the progress report presented by Mr. Eves and submitted to the Legislative Council yesterday readers will have a very fair idea of the total cost of the Kowloon-Canton railway. The very fact that His Excellency the Governor has taken the Colony into his confidence with regard to the progress of the works and the cost which will be entailed; is proof positive that no superfluous expenditure will be sanctioned, the whole idea being to secure that efficiency commensurate with the importance of this terminal of the grand trunk railway in China.

BANGKOK-HONGKONG-SHIP  
PING LINE.

The *Siam Free Press* understands that the spirit of self-reliance which has been recently animating the Chinese mercantile communities of Shanghai, Canton, Hongkong, Singapore and other great commercial centers, is now making itself felt in Bangkok. To succeed in any business the most essential things are capital and enterprise and these are not lacking among the Chinese business men in the Southern port. Writing editorially on the proposal to establish a shipping line between Hongkong and Bangkok our contemporary says:—We are informed that a meeting was recently held in Bangkok at which all important Chinese rice millers, bankers, and merchants—importers and exporters, in Siam—attended. The object of this meeting was to discuss the project of establishing a regular line of Chinese-owned steamers, between Bangkok and Hongkong. After discussing the subject it was unanimously decided to establish the line. A capital of T\$3,000,000 in ten cental shares was raised on the spot, and a resolution was passed to increase this amount to T\$5,000,000 in the course of a few months. The company will put four steamers on the Bangkok-Hongkong run, and these, we are informed, will be ready in about six months time. It is only recently the Japanese Company's line agreed to withdraw from this run, and the movement at the present moment is therefore all the more significant. However, competition is the life of trade, and this competition appears to be gaining ground everywhere at the present time, a fact which proves the great and growing commercial relations between the nations.

## THE LATE KING CARLOS.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE AT CANTON.

## A SOLEMN CEREMONY.

[From a Correspondent.]

Shameen, 27th February, 1908.  
A High Mass of Requiem for His late Majesty King Don Carlos of Portugal and the late Crown Prince was solemnized this morning at the Roman Catholic Chapel, Shameen, by the Rev. Father D. Fleureau (in the absence of the Bishop, the Right Rev. Monsgr. Merel) assisted by the Rev. Father La Tallandier and the Rev. Father Penicaut.

The Consular Body was represented by the following gentlemen who occupied specially reserved seats below the Communion Railing:—Messrs. Kahn (Consul for France), Dr. Koessler (Consul for Germany), R. W. Mansfield (H.B.M.'s Consul General), S. Uyeno (Consul for Japan), J. Zundel (Consul for Mexico), E. A. Stanton (Consul for Norway), J. D. da Costa de Moraes (Consul General for Portugal), A. V. Bohuszowicz (Consul for Russia), M. Sieger (Consul for Sweden) and the Vice-Consuls for France and Germany. Most of these officials wore the full uniform of their rank and this gave a pleasing contrast to the sombre aspect of the surroundings. In the middle of the aisle was erected a magnificent catafalque enclosed within four carved silvered posts with a canopy of black velvet and black velvet curtains fringed with silver braiding. Right on the top of the canopy was placed a large silver crown and also on a raised cushion over the pallium was another but smaller crown. On either side of the catafalque was a shield and flanking the national coat-of-arms at the base were the photos of His late Majesty and the Crown Prince draped with the Portuguese flag, whilst between the photos was an artistic wreath of immortelles knotted with black and white ribbons. From the ceiling there descended a huge black bow with tassels and black streamers, the ends of which were attached to the extreme four corners of the building. All the pillars were festooned with black bands terminating with a wreath of flowers. At the porch across the windows and also over the chancel were heavy black curtains bespangled with silver specks symbolical of tears. The whole scene was a most impressive one befitting the solemnity of the occasion.

During Mass the *Miserere* was well sung by Mr. S. Ribeiro assisted by the choir composed of boys from the Chinese Seminary, and the *Dead March* was most effectively rendered by Mr. J. Fonseca.

Besides the Portuguese community who attended en masse there were present almost all the leading members of the foreign community including the Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Paul King, the Deputy Commissioner, Messrs. J. W. Loureiro and Moorhead, the Postal Commissioner, Mr. Hyland, and the Commanders of the French gunboats *Argus* and *Vigilante*.

The thanks of the Portuguese community, for the satisfactory manner in which the exequies were carried out, are due to the following gentlemen:—Committee: Mr. J. W. Loureiro, Chairman, and Messrs. F. P. de Sousa, J. F. Eça da Silva and I. P. Pereira and to Messrs. L. P. Tavares and J. Fonseca for the excellent decorations.

## THE HONGKONG SERVICE.

The memorial service in Hongkong will take place at the Roman Catholic Cathedral tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock. We understand it will not be concluded before 9.30 a.m. Lieut. Monteiro, aide-de-camp to the Governor of Macao, came over to Hongkong to-day to represent H. E. Senhor Coutinho at the service tomorrow. We understand it will be attended by their Excellencies Sir Frederick and Lady Lugard and all the principal officials in the Colony.

## THE INTRUDER'S SHOCK.

## HIS EXPERIENCE WITH THE NEW WOMAN.

When Ng Hio stood in the dock at the Police Court, this morning, to answer charges of being a rogue and vagabond, and with being found in possession of dangerous weapons, it was apparent that he had been roughly handled before being handed over to the police. There was a lump on his forehead, he was a bit bruised about the face, and his lower lip was twice its ordinary size. And when it was told that he had received these mementos from a woman, who found him in her house, no little interest was taken in the case. It appears that about daybreak this morning Ng Hio, who had journeyed all the way from Wanchai to Hongkong, sneaked into the second floor of No. 129, Market Street soon after the occupier—a fitter—had left for work, and hid himself under a bed. His presence soon became known to the fitter's wife, who, it was stated, hauled him out by the queue. Ng objected to being treated in so humiliating a manner and pushed the lady to one side, but before he could stir another inch she had him on the floor and was pummeling him about the head in great style. When she thought he had had enough she led the docile creature into the street by his queue, and turned him over to a policeman.

At the Hunghom Police Station, Ng was searched by Sergeant Watt, and four picklocks and three chisels were found strapped to his waistband. A further search revealed another chisel tied round his thigh. Accused, when he was brought before Mr. Hayland, denied the charges. He had been assaulted, he said, outside the complainant's house. He stated that the picklocks and chisels were placed in his pockets when his assailant had him on the ground.

His Worship—And the other chisel they tied round your leg?  
Accused—Yes.  
A sentence of six weeks' hard labour and six months' imprisonment was passed.

## CHINESE EMIGRATION.

## THE NEW BILL.

We have received the following letter for publication:—  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 26th February, 1908.  
Dear Sir,—Please correct the reported version of the Attorney-General's remarks on the Chinese Emigration Amendment Ordinance at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council in your 10-night's issue. He is reported as having said that the Bill would not be read a third time as the new clause that had been introduced involved a charge on the Revenue. What was intended was that the clause involves "an increased fee in aid of the Revenue."

Yours truly,  
F. H. MAY.

The Editor,  
*Hongkong Telegraph*.  
[Such a statement may have been printed, but not in the *Hongkong Telegraph*.—Ed., H.K.T.]

## CANTON DAY BY DAY.

## THE "TATSU MARU."

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 26th February, 1908.

It is reported that the Viceroy has received telegraphic instructions from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Peking instructing him to establish the proof that the Japanese had committed a breach of the Sino-Japanese treaty, in connection with the *Tatsu Maru* No. 2 case, and also that the vessel was actually arrested in Chinese waters. The Viceroy is directed to have the case settled satisfactorily with the Japanese Consul at Canton.

## LIKIN COLLECTIONS.

The collection of Likin dues for the first twenty days of the first Chinese moon as reported by the Canton Likin Bureau is as follows:—

## BRIGADIER-GENERAL.

In accordance with instructions from the Capital, Li Mung-yueh has been appointed Brigadier-General of Canton.

## MURDERESSES BEHEADED.

Yesterday two female criminals were beheaded in the Execution Grounds; one by the name of Chow Kam Lun and the other Fu Na Yeung. These two women were found guilty on the charge of murder.

## MACAO'S TRADE THREATENED.

The colony of the district of Heungshan are going to float a company with capital in shares of 100 taels each for the purpose of converting Wansai, in the vicinity of the Portuguese Colony of Macao, into a trade centre. If this movement is actually carried out, it is believed that the trade of Macao will be affected to a certain extent.

## RAILWAY RECEIPTS.

The daily collections of fares from passengers travelling on the Wongcha Kongsun section of the Canton-Hankow railway for the second ten days of the first moon are as follows:—

| Date     | Persons. | Amount collected. |
|----------|----------|-------------------|
| 1st day  | 7,424    | \$35.50           |
| 2nd day  | 3,087    | 32.86             |
| 3rd day  | 3,065    | 32.82             |
| 4th day  | 3,766    | 31.64             |
| 5th day  | 2,380    | 24.57             |
| 6th day  | 2,830    | 29.16             |
| 7th day  | 4,028    | 41.24             |
| 8th day  | 3,990    | 40.46             |
| 9th day  | 3,383    | 35.22             |
| 10th day | 2,629    | 26.67             |
| Total    | 31,803   | \$331.81.         |

27th February.

## NAVAL EXPENDITURE.

In accordance with instruction, received from the Ministry of War at Peking H. E. the Viceroy has requested the Acting Admiral of the province to prepare a statement showing the total of the year's expenditure for the maintenance of the Navy in Kwangtung, which statement is to be forwarded to that Department.

## WEST RIVER PILOT.

In connection with the West River patrol all the guard boats formerly stationed along the East River have been brought to the West River and are now stationed at various stages on the waterways.

## FIREMEN'S SERVICES.

The fire, which I reported on the 19th inst., was prevented from spreading over to the yamen building of the Kwongchow prefect by the many fire-fighters of the different brigades who proceeded direct into the building in order to be in readiness to safeguard it. This action was much appreciated by the Prefect himself, who witnessed the firemen at their work. He has accordingly given instructions to furnish him with a list of the names of the firemen and to pay them a sum of money to be divided as compensation for their excellent services.

## CONSUL-GENERAL TO SAN FRANCISCO.

The newly appointed Chinese Consul-General to San Francisco, U.S.A., Mr. Hu Ping-chun, a native of Canton, will leave here on the 4th proximo for Hongkong whence he proceeds for his destination per s.s. *Mongolia*.

## CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

Tsao Ting Ping-lan by order of the high authorities yesterday left here for the district of Tungkan to make an inspection of the preliminary arrangements for the construction of the Canton-Kowloon railway (Chinese section) which will pass through that district.

## IU KAI SHING.

With reference to the release of Iu Kai Shing at Hongkong there is now much talk here among the people as to his liberation. Many of them firmly believe that it was really a reformer, and not an armed robber, as he was alleged to have been by the Chinese officials.

## A MIDNIGHT SCENE.

## INDIAN WATCHMAN ATTACKED BY ROBBERS.

A suspect has been arrested in connection with the "hold-up" of an Indian watchman in Queen's Road, at midnight yesterday. The accused, who gave the name of Leung Kwan, residing at 7, George Lane, was brought up before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, on charges of attempted robbery, assault, and being in possession of a hammer, about which he could not give a satisfactory explanation.

The alleged facts of the case, as collected by the Wanchai police, were that the Indian watchman—Atma Singh—who is in the employ of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company, Ltd., left work about midnight yesterday, and started to return to his lodgings, at Spring Lane. Arriving outside Fletcher Street—a narrow thoroughfare which leads from Queen's Road (immediately opposite the Soldiers' Club) to the old Headquarters Office—two Chinamen, who had been standing near the gateway, sprang on to the Indian as he was passing, and in the moment a handful of pepper was thrown into his eyes. The hooligans then started to get their victim into the Indian thoroughfare, where, had they succeeded, could have added the "finishing touches" to their audacity. The watchman struggled fiercely with his assailants, and cried loudly for assistance. This seemed to have alarmed the robbers, who started off in different directions, with a number of coolies, who had heard the Indian's cries, after them.

Policeman Marriott, of the Naval Yard Police, who was on duty in the yard at the time, heard a great commotion in the street, and, on going out to investigate, saw a coolie making in his direction as hard as he could go. "Kid" Marriott, as he is called in pugilistic circles, scented trouble and stepped behind a pillar. The sprinter had by now out-distanced his pursuers, and it was evident that he was steering a course towards Garden Road. Policeman Marriott saw this, and when the man got within a respectable distance he jumped on him. The Chinaman swerved round instantly as if to attack, but the policeman, who was not taking any chances, landed a blow on his wind which settled his case. He was then taken into a cell and searched. The only thing that was found on him was a hammer, which was attached to his girdle. A little later Atma Singh, whose eyes were very much inflamed, arrived on the scene, and then the parties adjourned to No. 2 Police Station.

The accused was charged this morning and remanded in police custody for a week. In the meantime a search will be made for his accomplice.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE measures providing for increased taxation in Japan have passed the House of Peers by an overwhelming majority.

THE reception accorded to the U.S. battleship fleet at Callao has been most magnificent. In reply to the invitation received from Australia that the American fleet should visit its shores, Mr. Root, Secretary of State, has expressed regret that it will not be possible to accept invitation, as the fleet has to return via Suva.

THE presentation by Japan of the recent Note in which were enumerated the stricter administrative measures to be adopted by the Tokio authorities for the restriction of emigration is held to have concluded the negotiations between America and Japan. It is thought that the principle of voluntary restriction without specified limits will be mutually satisfactory.

THE currency reform in Dell, consisting in the Government demoteising the Straits dollar, old and new, and substituting the guilder, began to take effect there on January 28, by the issue of a proclamation forbidding the importation of the Straits dollar. Immediately afterwards a notification came into force stating that the Government will exchange guilders for dollars at the fixed rate of 1.40 guilder for each dollar. Steps have been taken to make this notification as widely known as possible. Dollars other than those from the Straits, will be taken over at the rate of 1.0 guilder each.

By kind permission of Major E. W. R. Thompson and Officers Commanding, the 1st and 3rd Battalions "The Duke of Cornwall's Own" (Middlesex Regiment) will play the following programme of music, during dinner, at the Hongkong Hotel, to-morrow, the 29th inst.:—

March "Head Across the Sea" ..... Sousa  
Valse "Un Peu de Zoucou, Pasionnel" ..... Paul Faucher  
Selection "Vergilique" ..... Paul Faucher  
Song "Land of my Fathers" ..... James  
Overture "The Harlot of Seville" ..... Koster  
Gavotte "Les Kéops" ..... Hermann  
Reminiscences of Wales ..... Arr. F. G.  
Galop "Light as a Feather" ..... W.  
Regimental March ..... W.  
Ood Bless the Prince of Wales.  
God Save the King.

Mr. A. W. Lamperski, of Messrs. Melchers and Company, summoned two Chinese friends, the Kam Sun, of 88, Queen's Road Central, and the Kwong Sang, of 246, Des Voeux Road Central, to the Police Court, this morning, under the Trade Marks Ordinance. The charges against the defendants, firms were (1) applying to bottles of perfume on the 15th instant a mark so nearly resembling the mark of the complainant as to be calculated to deceive; (2) applying to bottles of perfume a false trade description, viz. the words "Florida water"; (3) exposing the same for sale; and (4) with selling and delivering a number of bottles of the perfume. Mr. H. W. Lockyer appeared for the complainant, while Messrs. J. W. Goldring and J. H. K. Holmes were for the defence.







## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KAPOORIE &amp; Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence" page 5.

| STOCKS                                                                   | NO. OF SHARES     | VALUE    | PAID UP     | POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT                                                           | AT WORKING ACCOUNT | LAST DIVIDEND                                                                         | APPROXIMATE QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV. | CLOSING QUOTATIONS                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>BANKS.</b>                                                            |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation                                  | 120,000           | \$125    | \$125       | \$1,500,000<br>\$1,500,000                                                            | \$2,000,387        | Final of 2 on old and 1.10/- on new shares for 1 year ending 31.12.07                 | 5 1/2 %                                         | \$70 sellers<br>London 278                                         |
| National Bank of China, Limited                                          | 99,925            | £7       | £6          | \$1,275<br>\$1,275                                                                    | \$71,293           | \$2 (London 3/6) for 1903                                                             | "                                               | \$51                                                               |
| <b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>                                                |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| Canton Insurance Office, Limited                                         | 10,000            | \$250    | \$50        | \$1,500,000<br>\$219,058<br>\$421,050<br>\$125,000<br>Tls. 100,000<br>Tls. 48,942     | Tls. 204,424       | \$20 for 1906                                                                         | 8 1/2 %                                         | \$24 1/2                                                           |
| North China Insurance Company, Limited                                   | 10,000            | £15      | £5          | \$3,000,000<br>\$456,407<br>\$125,157<br>\$817,628<br>\$850,000                       | 11,460,400         | Final of 7/6 per share making in all 15/- for 1906—Tls. 2.65                          | 6 %                                             | Tls. 85 sellers                                                    |
| Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited                               | 12,400            | \$250    | \$100       | \$456,407<br>\$125,157<br>\$817,628<br>\$850,000                                      |                    | Final of 5/12 making 4 1/2 for 1905 and interim of 2 1/2 for 1906                     | 5 %                                             | 38 1/2                                                             |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited                                   | 8,000             | \$100    | \$40        | \$159,123<br>\$17,888                                                                 | \$394,520          | \$1 for year ending 31.12.07                                                          | "                                               | {152} \$140 buyers                                                 |
| Do. do. (new)                                                            | 4,000             | \$100    | \$60        | \$1,000,000                                                                           |                    | \$2 and bonus \$2 for 1905                                                            | 8 1/2 %                                         | \$98                                                               |
| <b>FIRE INSURANCES.</b>                                                  |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| China Fire Insurance Company, Limited                                    | 20,000            | \$100    | \$20        | \$1,000,000<br>\$320,449<br>\$7,016                                                   | \$362,980          | \$40 for 1905                                                                         | 12 %                                            | \$33 1/2                                                           |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited                                 | 8,000             | \$250    | \$50        | \$1,250,483                                                                           | \$435,256          | \$1 for 1906                                                                          | 7 %                                             | \$74                                                               |
| <b>SHIPPING.</b>                                                         |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited                              | 30,000            | \$25     | \$24        | \$7,000<br>\$264,632<br>\$96,988<br>\$250,000<br>\$75,379<br>\$20,000<br>(60,000)     | \$505              | \$4 for year ending 30.1.1907                                                         | 10 %                                            | \$40                                                               |
| Douglas Steamship Company, Limited                                       | 20,000            | \$50     | \$50        | \$1,000,000                                                                           |                    | \$1 1/2 for 2nd half-year making in all 5 1/2 for year ending 31.12.07                | 8 %                                             | \$28 1/2 ex div.                                                   |
| Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.                             | 80,000            | \$15     | \$15        | \$1,200,000<br>\$270,000                                                              | 16,437             | \$1 for 1906 @ ex 2 1/2 = \$2.25 per share                                            | 3 1/2 %                                         | {80} {58} Tls. 45 Tls. 50 sellers 45/- \$25 buyers \$12 1/2 buyers |
| Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)                        | 60,000            | £5       | £5          | \$300,000                                                                             | £3,694             | Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 12 %                                            | {80} {58} Tls. 45 Tls. 50 sellers 45/- \$25 buyers \$12 1/2 buyers |
| Do. do. (Deferred)                                                       | 60,000            | £5       | £5          | \$300,000                                                                             |                    | Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 8) for a/c 1907                                            | 4 1/2 %                                         | {80} {58} Tls. 45 Tls. 50 sellers 45/- \$25 buyers \$12 1/2 buyers |
| Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited                                | 200,000           | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50     | Tls. 54,372<br>\$400,000                                                              | Tls. 13,327        | Final of Tls. 2 making Tls. 6 for 1906                                                | 12 1/2 %                                        | Tls. 47 buyers                                                     |
| "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited                           | 1,000,000         | £1       | £1          | \$1,000,000<br>\$1,871<br>\$65,000<br>\$32,957                                        | 172,370            | \$1 for 1907                                                                          | "                                               | \$15 sales Tls. 80 sellers                                         |
| Star Ferry Company, Limited                                              | 10,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$100,000<br>Tls. 98,000<br>Tls. 410,479<br>Tls. 62,000<br>Tls. 81,200<br>Tls. 30,000 | \$137              | Tls. 4 (8 %) for year ending 31.8.06                                                  | 5 %                                             |                                                                    |
| <b>REFINERIES.</b>                                                       |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| China Sugar Refining Company, Limited                                    | 20,000            | \$100    | \$100       | \$2,000,000                                                                           | 19,218             | Final of 1/6 (No. 9) for 1907                                                         | 7 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 16 sellers                                                    |
| Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited                                    | 7,000             | \$100    | \$100       | \$700,000                                                                             |                    | No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents                                                              | "                                               | \$8                                                                |
| Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited                                 | 7,000             | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50     | Tls. 100,000                                                                          | Tls. 8,935         | \$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06                                                       | 12 1/2 %                                        | \$15                                                               |
| <b>MINING.</b>                                                           |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.                             | 1,000,000         | £1       | £1          | \$1,000,000<br>\$84,398                                                               | £11,556            | Interim of \$2 for six months ending June 30th 1907                                   | 6 1/2 %                                         | \$94 ex div. Tls. 80 sales                                         |
| Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited                             | 150,000<br>50,000 | £1<br>£1 | 18/10<br>£1 | \$1,500,000<br>\$4,873                                                                | 111,358            | Final of \$4 making 8 for 1907                                                        | 8 1/2 %                                         | \$94 ex div. Tls. 80 sales                                         |
| <b>DOCKS, WHARVES &amp; GODOWNS.</b>                                     |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited                                            | 18,000            | \$25     | \$25        | \$450,000                                                                             | \$10,335           | Interim of Tls. 2 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 8 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 21 1/2 buyers                                                 |
| Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.                            | 40,000            | \$50     | \$50        | \$2,000,000<br>\$21,152<br>\$30,000                                                   | \$3,047            | Final of \$4 making 8 for 1907                                                        | 8 1/2 %                                         | \$94 ex div. Tls. 80 sales                                         |
| Do. do. (new)                                                            | 20,000            | \$50     | \$50        | \$1,000,000                                                                           |                    | Interim of Tls. 2 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 8 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 21 1/2 buyers                                                 |
| Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.                                  | 50,000            | \$50     | \$50        | \$2,500,000<br>\$50,000                                                               | \$41,448           | Final of Tls. 2 1/2 for account 1907                                                  | 8 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 21 1/2 buyers                                                 |
| Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.                                  | 55,700            | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100    | Tls. 1,000,000<br>Tls. 487,210<br>Tls. 100,000<br>Tls. 190,100<br>Tls. 75,000         | Tls. 10,459        | Interim of Tls. 8 for account 1907                                                    | 8 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 21 1/2 buyers                                                 |
| Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited                              | 36,000            | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100    | Tls. 1,000,000<br>Tls. 190,100<br>Tls. 75,000                                         | Tls. 23,127        | Tls. 6 for 14 1/2 months ending 28.2.07                                               | 6 %                                             | Tls. 105 \$22 1/2 buyers \$14 sellers                              |
| <b>LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS.</b>                                    |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.                                   | 25,000            | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100    | Tls. 15,000                                                                           | Tls. 3,388         | \$2.80 for year ending 30.6.07                                                        | 10 %                                            | \$104                                                              |
| Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)                            | 10,000            | \$25     | \$25        | \$250,000                                                                             | \$10,908           | Final of \$3 1/2 making in all 57 for year ending 31.12.07                            | 7 %                                             | \$104                                                              |
| Central Stores, Limited                                                  | 50,125            | \$15     | \$15        | \$751,875                                                                             | \$9,178            | 70 cents for 1907                                                                     | 7 %                                             | \$104                                                              |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited                                          | 12,000            | \$50     | \$50        | \$600,000<br>\$36,075                                                                 | \$10,925           | \$1 1/2 for 1907                                                                      | 7 %                                             | \$104                                                              |
| Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.                            | 50,000            | \$100    | \$100       | \$5,000,000<br>\$25,075                                                               | \$26,075           | Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making in all Tls. 5 for 1907                     | 8 %                                             | Tls. 105 buyers \$48                                               |
| Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited                              | 150,000           | \$10     | \$10        | \$1,500,000<br>\$217,426                                                              | \$4,621            | Final of \$2.10 making in all \$4.10 for year ending 31.12.07                         | 8 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 105 buyers \$48                                               |
| Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited                               | 6,000             | \$50     | \$50        | \$300,000                                                                             | 1653               | Tls. 2 1/2 for year ended 31.10.1907                                                  | 4 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 56 sellers \$9                                                |
| Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited                                | 78,000            | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50     | Tls. 1,521,045<br>Tls. 170,000                                                        | Tls. 107,517       | 50 cents for year ending 31.7.07                                                      | 5 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 55 buyers                                                     |
| West Point Building Company, Limited                                     | 12,500            | \$50     | \$50        | \$625,000                                                                             | \$1,541            | Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)                                                   | "                                               | Tls. 75 Tls. 270 buyers                                            |
| <b>COTTON MILLS.</b>                                                     |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.                            | 15,000            | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50     | Tls. 150,000                                                                          | Tls. 8,807         | Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 11 %                                            | \$22 1/2 buyers \$15                                               |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Company, Limited              | 125,000           | \$10     | \$10        | \$1,250,000<br>\$60,000                                                               | \$14,260           | Interim of \$4 for 4 year ending June 30th '07                                        | 8 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.                         | 10,000            | Tls. 75  | Tls. 75     | Tls. 150,000                                                                          | Tls. 85,519        | Interim of 80 cents per share for a/c 1907                                            | 8 %                                             | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| Laon-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.                        | 8,000             | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100    | \$800,000                                                                             |                    | Final of Tls. 7 1/2 and bonus of Tls. 2 1/2 making in all Tls. 3 1/2 for 1907         | 8 %                                             | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited                                | 2,000             | Tls. 500 | Tls. 500    | Tls. 2,500,000<br>Tls. 28,257                                                         | Tls. 50,663        | \$1 per share for year ending 28.2.07                                                 | 6 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>                                                    |                   |          |             |                                                                                       |                    |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |
| Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited                                  | 8,604             | 12/6     | 12/6        | \$1,299                                                                               | £68                | Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 11 %                                            | \$22 1/2 buyers \$15                                               |
| China-Borneo Company, Limited                                            | 60,000            | \$12     | \$12        | \$720,000                                                                             |                    | Interim of 11 1/2 for account 1907 (new)                                              | 6 1/2 %                                         | \$20                                                               |
| China Flour Mill Co., Limited                                            | 4,000             | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50     | Tls. 50,000                                                                           | Tls. 889           | 40 cents for year ending 31.5.07                                                      | 5 %                                             | Tls. 47 sellers \$10 buyers                                        |
| China Light and Power Company, Limited                                   | 50,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$500,000                                                                             | \$25,000           | 80 cents for 1907                                                                     | 9 %                                             | \$17                                                               |
| Do. do. special shares                                                   | 50,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$500,000                                                                             | \$3,793            | \$1.30 for year ending 31.7.07                                                        | 7 1/2 %                                         | \$17                                                               |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.                            | 125,000           | \$10     | \$10        | \$1,250,000<br>\$50,000                                                               | \$3,793            | Interim of 50 cents per share for a/c 1907                                            | 11 %                                            | \$22 1/2 buyers \$15                                               |
| Dairy Farm Company, Limited                                              | 25,000            | \$7 1/2  | \$6         | \$1,875,000<br>\$5,000                                                                | \$2,974            | \$2 1/2 for year ending 28.2.07                                                       | 11 %                                            | \$22 1/2 buyers \$15                                               |
| Green Island Cement Company, Limited                                     | 400,000           | \$10     | \$10        | \$4,000,000                                                                           | \$10,804           | 1 1/2 per share for year ending 28.2.07                                               | 6 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| Hall & Holtz, Limited                                                    | 21,000            | \$20     | \$20        | \$420,000                                                                             | \$15,002           | Interim of \$4 for 4 year ending June 30th '07                                        | 8 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| Hongkong Electric Company, Limited                                       | 60,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$600,000                                                                             | \$2,953            | Interim of 80 cents per share for a/c 1907                                            | 8 %                                             | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited                                            | 5,000             | \$25     | \$25        | \$125,000                                                                             | \$4,361            | Final of Tls. 7 1/2 and bonus of Tls. 2 1/2 making in all Tls. 3 1/2 for 1907         | 8 %                                             | Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13                                            |
| Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.                                | 50,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$500,000                                                                             | \$4,212            | \$1 per share for period from 19th Oct. to 30th Apr. '07                              | "                                               | Tls. 106 buyers                                                    |
| Massachusetts (for Mijon, Bosch-en Landbouwer) plant in Langkat, Limited | 25,000            | Gs. 100  | Gs. 100     | Tls. 547,500                                                                          | Tls. 17,127        | Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 11 %                                            | \$22 1/2 buyers \$15                                               |
| Peak Tramways Company, Limited                                           | 25,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$250,000                                                                             | \$2,655            | Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 11 %                                            | \$22 1/2 buyers \$15                                               |
| Peak Tramways Company (new)                                              | 50,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$500,000                                                                             | \$4,78             | Interim of 11 1/2 for account 1907 (new)                                              | 6 1/2 %                                         | \$20                                                               |
| Philippine Company, Limited                                              | 75,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$750,000                                                                             |                    | 40 cents for year ending 31.5.07                                                      | 5 %                                             | Tls. 47 sellers \$10 buyers                                        |
| Shanghai Gas Company, Limited                                            | 24,000            | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50     | Tls. 100,000                                                                          | Tls. 7,990         | Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.06 (8 %)                                                  | "                                               | Tls. 75 Tls. 270 buyers                                            |
| Shanghai Horse Bazaar Co., Ltd.                                          | 5,400             | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50     | Tls. 67,500                                                                           | Tls. 9,751         | Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for account 1907                                                | 11 %                                            | \$22 1/2 buyers \$15                                               |
| Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited                                 | 4,500             | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100    | Tls. 450,000                                                                          | Tls. 3,354         | Final of Tls. 5 and Tls. 10 for 1906                                                  | 7 1/2 %                                         | Tls. 130 sales                                                     |
| Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited                                | 30,000            | Tls. 20  | Tls. 20     | Tls. 200,000                                                                          | Tls. 7,843         | Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for a/c 1907                                                    | "                                               | Tls. 360 buyers                                                    |
| Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited                                     | 16,350            | £20      | £20         | \$1,308,000                                                                           | Tls. 85,592        | Interim of 15/- for account 1907 (old)                                                | "                                               | \$20                                                               |
| South China Morning Post, Limited                                        | 6,000             | \$25     | \$25        | \$150,000                                                                             | \$4,934            | Interim of 11 1/2 for account 1907 (new)                                              | 6 1/2 %                                         | \$20                                                               |
| Steam Laundry Company, Limited                                           | 30,000            | \$5      | \$5         | \$150,000                                                                             | \$4,78             | 40 cents for year ending 31.5.07                                                      | 5 %                                             | Tls. 47 sellers \$10 buyers                                        |
| Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited                                     | 2,000             | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100    | Tls. 15,000                                                                           | Tls. 201           | Tls. 6 for year ending 30.4.07                                                        | 5 %                                             | \$10                                                               |
| Union Waterboat Company, Limited                                         | 50,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$500,000                                                                             | \$1,111            | 80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and \$19.80 on 100 Founders shares for yr. end. 31.5.07 | 8 %                                             | \$10 buyers                                                        |
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited                                 | 10,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$100,000                                                                             | \$1,360            | Interim of 30 cents for account 1907                                                  | 6 1/2 %                                         | \$5 1/2 buyers                                                     |
| Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited                                           | 90,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$900,000<br>\$25,000                                                                 | \$5,482            | Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906                    | "                                               |                                                                    |
| William Powell, Limited                                                  | 15,000            | \$10     | \$10        | \$150,000                                                                             | \$41               |                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                    |

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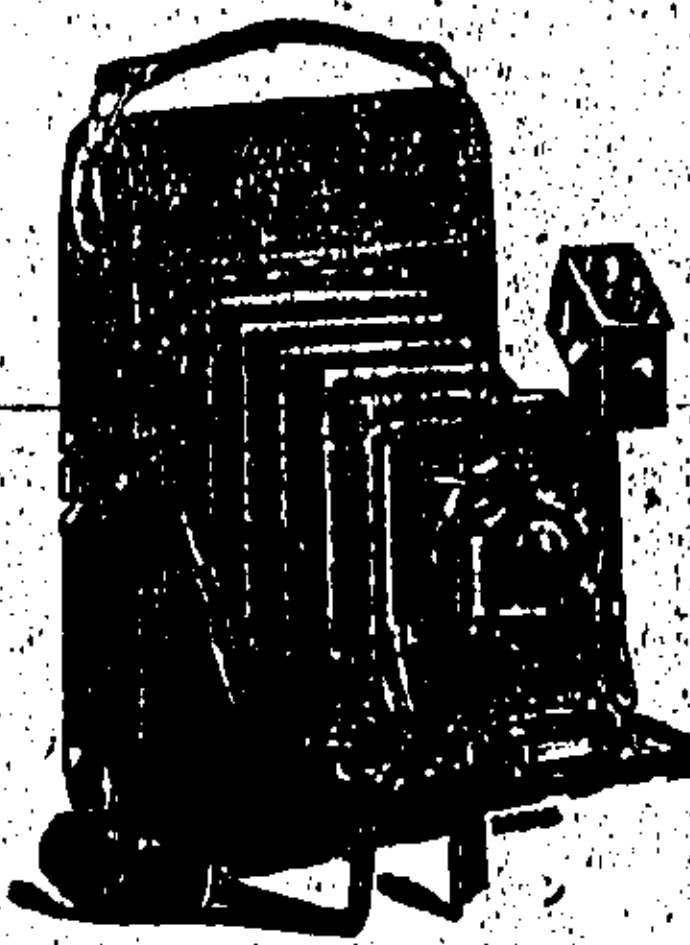
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